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March 29, 2023

-Via ECF-

Judge Jennifer L. Rochon **United States District Court** Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

> Request to waive personal appearance at 04.06.23 status conference RE:

> > Defendant: Marco Ruiz-Ochoa (Deft. 2) USA v. Carmona, et al., 1:22-cr-00551-JLR-2

Dear Judge Rochon:

Our office represents defendant Marco Ruiz-Ochoa in the above-referenced matter. He is currently out on bond and has been fully compliant with all conditions set by this Court. A status conference is scheduled here for April 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. We respectfully request that Mr. Ruiz-Ochoa be excused from appearing personally at the conference or, in the alternative, be permitted to appear via telephone or videoconference.

I have spoken with AUSA Benjamin Gianforti concerning our request and he advised that the government does not object.

Mr. Ruiz-Ochoa asks for this accommodation due to the fact that he lives in New Hampshire and the status conference will likely involve matters concerning scheduling between the Court and attorneys, rather than a "substantive" or "critical" pretrial proceeding.

Thank you for your attention and consideration in this matter.

Application GRANTED. Mr. Ruiz-Ochoa shall participate Respectfully Submitted, by telephone via Microsoft Teams. Counsel shall appear in person. The Court will provide Counsel with log-in information for Defendant prior to the conference.

Dated: March 30, 2023

New York, New York Knifer Rochon

SO ORDERED.

United States District Judge

/s/ Conor McNamara

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